



BURKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Sheriff Steve Whisenant
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS / NARCOTICS DIVISION
PRESS RELEASE

Name: Emillio Jesus Villarreal
DOB: 10/11/1997 **Age:** 23
Race: White **Sex:** Male
Address: 5873 Jenkins Road Morganton NC 28655
Charges: (F) AWDWIKISI
Bond: \$100,000.00 Secured
Court Date: March 30, 2020



Details:

On March 28, 2020, at approximately 5:57 a.m., Burke County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) deputies responded to the parking lot of Burkemont Baptist Church after receiving a 911 call regarding an assault. Deputies spoke to the victim and a female witness who had left the scene and came to the church. The male victim had apparent stab wounds to his face and eye. The female stated the male had been stabbed while visiting some friends nearby and named the suspect as Emillio Jesus Villarreal.

BCSO deputies and a Criminal Investigations detective went to the scene of the assault at 5873 Jenkins Road, Morganton, Lot 17, the home of the suspect. Subsequent to interviewing Villarreal, he was placed into custody and taken to the Burke County Magistrates Office.

Villarreal was charged with Felonious assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill or inflicting serious injury. He received a \$100,000.00 secured bond with his first court appearance on March 30, 2020 and is confined at Burke County jail.

Agencies Involved:

Burke County Sheriff's Office

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